SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FAMILY COURT

Domestic Relations Branch

PRINT PLAINTIFF'S NAME	DRB
PLAINTIFF, v.	JUDGE:
PRINT DEFENDANT'S NAME	PRINT DEFENDANT'S/INTERVENOR'S NAME
DEFENDANT,	DEFENDANT/INTERVENOR.
	MOTION TO VACATE THIRD PARTY DDY ORDER am the Plaintiff in this case. Defendant Intervenor
The Court entered an order regarding in this case on PRINT DATE OF ORDE	
2. At the time the above order was ente and/or visitation.	red, I consented to the provisions regarding custody
3. At the time the above order was ente reason.	ered, I retained the right to revoke my consent for any

Request for Relief

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I revoke my consent to the custody order in this case.

I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST that the Court immediately vacate the custody order in this case. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. If this document is to be signed outside the geographic boundaries of the United States, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, and any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, additional requirements must be met prior to signing. See Super. Ct. Dom. Rel. R. 2(c)(1)(B). SIGN YOUR NAME DATE PRINT YOUR NAME PHONE NUMBER HOME ADDRESS 1 **EMAIL ADDRESS** HOME ADDRESS 2

SUBSTITUTE ADDRESS: CHECK BOX IF YOU HAVE WRITTEN SOMEONE ELSE'S ADDRESS BECAUSE YOU FEAR HARASSMENT OR HARM.

POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO MODIFY CHILD SUPPORT ORDER

In support of this Motion, I respectfully refer the Court to:

- 1. D.C. Code § 16-831.06(d).
- 2. D.C. Code § 16-831.11(c).
- 3. Super. Ct. Dom. Rel. R. 7(b).
- 4. The record in this case.
- 5. The attached supporting documents, if any. [LIST ANY DOCUMENTS THAT YOU ARE ATTACHING]

Serving Domestic Relations Pleadings Filed During COVID-19

What is "service"?

Service means giving a copy of court papers to the other party or parties in your case. You must serve the other party or parties with any motions, answers, or other papers ("pleadings") you file in your Domestic Relations case.

This document tells you:

- How to figure out what type of service you have to do
- How to tell the Court that you served your papers to the other party
- How to find more information about service

Are there different rules for service in different cases?

Yes. There are different rules for service depending on whether your case is open or closed.

If:	Then your case is probably:
The Court has not yet issued a final order	Open
The Court issued its final order less than 60 days ago	Open
The Court issued its final order more than 60 days ago	Closed

Not sure if your case is open or closed? Call the Family Court Self-Help Center at 202-879-0096.

My case is open. How do I serve somebody?

If your case is **open**, you must follow <u>Rule 5</u> of the Domestic Relations rules. Rule 5 says that you must serve the papers in one of these ways:



Hand the papers to the other party



Leave the papers at the other party's home with a person who lives there and is at least 18 years old



Leave the papers at their lawyer's office



Send it by first-class mail to party (or lawyer's) last known address



Through the Court's e-filing software, CaseFileXpress



Any other way, as long as the other party agrees in writing

If the other party has a lawyer, you must serve their lawyer.

I served the papers in my open case. Now what?

Once you serve the papers on the other party, you must tell the court by completing two steps:

- 1. Fill out a Rule 5 Proof of Service form. You can find this form here.
- 2. **File the form with the Court.** During the COVID-19 public health crisis, you can file the form by emailing it to FamilyCourtCIC@dcsc.gov.

My case is <u>closed</u>. How do I serve somebody?

If your case is **closed** when you file your motion, the Court will send you a **summons** to serve on the other party or parties. You must follow Rule 4 of the Domestic Relations rules. Rule 4 says that you must serve **both** the **summons** and your **motion** in one of the following ways:



Ask someone else (18 or older) to hand the papers to the other party (you cannot do this yourself)



Ask someone else (18 or older) to leave the papers at the other party's home with a person who lives there and is at least 18 years old (you cannot do this yourself)



Send the documents by certified or registered mail to the other party's last known address



During the COVID-19 pandemic, you can send these documents by email or text

You can find a more detailed version of these instructions here.

I served the papers in my new or closed case. Now what?

Once you serve the papers on the other party, you must tell the court by completing two steps:

- 1. **Fill out a Rule 4 affidavit.** The affidavit is different depending on **how** you served the papers.
 - a. If you served the other party by **text or email**, use the affidavit here.
 - b. If you served the other party by **certified mail**, use the affidavit here.
 - c. If someone else **handed** the papers to the other party or someone who lives with them, use the affidavit here.
- 2. **File the affidavit with the Court.** During the COVID-19 public health crisis, you can file the affidavit form by emailing it to FamilyCourtCIC@dcsc.gov.

How can I get help figuring out how to serve my papers?



If you need help, call the Family Court Self-Help Center at **202-879-0096**. The Family Court Self Help Center can explain the process to you, help you complete the proper legal papers, and direct you to other free legal resources.

Visit <u>www.lawhelp.org/dc</u> for more information, including how to contact free legal assistance organizations, or call the D.C. Bar Legal Information Helpline at 202-626-3499 to listen to recorded messages about this issue.